

## Miller Canfield Attorney to Discuss TREAD Act at AIAG Educational Event

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Brian Westenberg, an attorney in Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, P.L.C.'s Automotive Industry Group, will present a TREAD Act overview at the Automotive Industry Action Group (AIAG) Educational Event on May 15 in Pontiac. Westenberg will discuss legal, as well as practical, requirements companies face in order to comply with new reporting regulations under the TREAD Act.

The event, sponsored by Miller Canfield, AIAG, Syncata and VIA Information Tools, is intended to educate on the U.S. Transportation Recall, Enhancement, Accountability and Documentation (TREAD) Act's new requirements, and to standardize the exchange of information among customers, suppliers, OEMs (Original Equipment Manufacturers) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. Companies affected by the TREAD Act must have all the technology and processes in place before August 31 – the end of the first reporting period this year.

The TREAD Act Educational Event will be held from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Marriott Centerpoint in Pontiac. The day's agenda includes:

- TREAD Act Overview
- AIAG's role with the TREAD Act
- What Triggers Reporting
- Updates of Petitions for Reconsideration
- TREAD Act Reporting Case Studies
- Early Warning Detection

To register, call AIAG customer service at 248/358-3003. Space is still available; cost is \$50 for AIAG members and \$75 for non-members, and lunch is provided.

According to Westenberg, the firm's expert TREAD Act team is busy helping clients prepare for impending reporting deadlines. To schedule a TREAD Act meeting or for more information, contact Westenberg at [westenberg@millercanfield.com](mailto:westenberg@millercanfield.com) or 248/267-3220.

Founded in 1982, AIAG is a not-for-profit trade association of over 1,500 automotive and truck manufacturers and their suppliers. AIAG's purpose is to provide an open forum where members cooperate in developing and promoting solutions that enhance the prosperity of the automotive industry. Its focus is to continuously improve business processes and practices involving trading partners throughout the supply chain. For more information, visit [www.aiag.org](http://www.aiag.org).

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